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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Examiner:

5 The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities. Please check
for missing spaces between words through out the disclosure.

Response:

10 Please amend the instant application as indicated in the "Amendments to the
Specification" section of this response. The Applicant is amending these paragraphs
merely to correct the Examiner cited transmission errors and no new matter is being
introduced. Reconsideration of the amended specification is respectfully requested.

Examiner:

15 Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Le (US
5,679,923).

Response:

20 The Applicant requests amending the current application as specified in the
"Amendments to the Claims" section of this response to more fully point out and claim
the instant invention.

25 Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation of each rib comprising a
plurality of front supporting pieces and at least one rear supporting piece arranged in
alternation and that the bracket is squeezed between the front and rear supporting pieces
of each rib. Support for these limitations is found in Paragraphs [0022] and [0024]. No
new material has been introduced.

It is clear from Figs.8 and 11 of Le that the cited prior art does not anticipate these

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added limitations because Le does not disclose a plurality of front and at least one rear supporting pieces arranged in alternation and are utilized to squeeze the bracket between them. It is assumed that the brackets of Le may possibly be squeezed against the supporting pieces, such as by the use of a fastening screw during installation, but it is
5 clear that the bracket is not squeezed between the supporting pieces, and are not arranged in alternation.

Additionally, Examiner cited Martin et al. also fails to anticipate these limitations at least because it fails to teach "a plurality of ribs installed on the frame, wherein two
10 of adjacent ribs form an expansion slot and each of the ribs includes a plurality of front supporting pieces and at least one rear supporting piece arranged in alternation" (Present application Claim 1).

Moreover, known prior art fails to address the problem at which the present
15 invention is directed, that of releasing from within the housing EMI due to the gap between the brackets and the ribs being enlarged when subjected to external forces that bend or twist the structure (Paragraph [0012]). By providing a plurality of front and at least one rear supporting pieces arranged in alternation along each rib, the brackets and the ribs of the present invention will be forced to bend or twist substantially in unison
20 and the gap size will remain substantially constant, providing enhanced EMI protection (Paragraphs [0016], [0023], and [0025]).

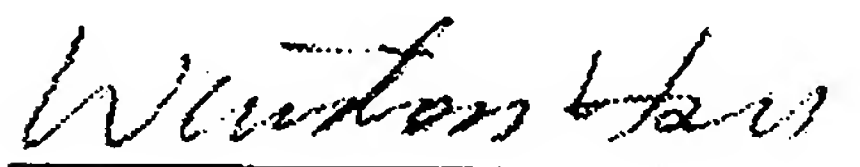
Therefore, the Applicant believes that the instant invention as claimed represent a new and useful device not taught, suggested, or made obvious by known prior art, alone
25 or in combination, and respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-6.

The Applicant additionally requests acceptance, consideration, and allowance of

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new claims 7-11. The new claims are similar in nature to claims 1-6 and are supported at least by Paragraphs [0022], [0023], and [0024]. No new material has been introduced.

5 Respectfully submitted,



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